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# SENATE RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO PROVIDE EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS.

1           WHEREAS, the Department of Education is responsible for  
2 administering its own capital improvement projects pursuant to  
3 Act 51, Session Laws of Hawaii 2004, known as the "Reinventing  
4 Education Act of 2004"; and

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6           WHEREAS, chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, relating to  
7 the Hawaii public procurement code, provides for a competitive  
8 sealed bid process under section 103D-302, Hawaii Revised  
9 Statutes, and a competitive sealed proposal process under  
10 section 302D-303, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and

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12           WHEREAS, the section 103D-302, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
13 process provides for criteria for the award to be set out in the  
14 invitation for bids by the government agency making the  
15 procurement; and

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17           WHEREAS, the section 103D-303, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
18 process, known as the request for proposals process, provides  
19 for the government agency making the procurement to similarly  
20 set out the evaluation factors in making the award; and

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22           WHEREAS, "experiential learning opportunity" means any  
23 learning opportunity that allows the learner to obtain  
24 information and learn practical skills that are necessary to  
25 perform in the workplace and provides significant experiences  
26 with real outcomes that create measurable learning achievements  
27 through participation and reflection; and

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29           WHEREAS, work on public school and other capital  
30 improvement projects provide an excellent forum for providing  
31 experiential learning opportunity for students, including  
32 students in the construction academies, by the contractor who is  
33 awarded the project; and  
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1 WHEREAS, the Department of Education and the Department of  
2 Accounting and General Services should include an experiential  
3 learning opportunity requirement in sealed bid criteria and in  
4 the evaluation factors for competitive sealed proposals; now,  
5 therefore,  
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7 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fourth  
8 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2007,  
9 that the Department of Education and the Department of  
10 Accounting and General Services are encouraged to provide  
11 experiential learning opportunities for students by including an  
12 experiential learning opportunity requirement in sealed bid  
13 criteria and in the evaluation factors for requests for  
14 proposals; and  
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16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education and  
17 the Department of Accounting and General Services each report on  
18 its progress in regard to the request made by this Resolution to  
19 the Legislature no later than twenty days before the convening  
20 of the Regular Session of 2008; and  
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
23 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of  
24 Education, the Superintendent of Education, and the State  
25 Comptroller.

